

Comforters in Hitler's Germany



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★ Pre-Holocaust Lives Of Jews

- When the Nazis came to power in Europe the Jewish people had lived in every country in Europe.
- A lot of the Jewish people lived in predominantly Jewish communities called shtetes.
- They spoke their own language known as Yiddish and attended Yiddish movies and theatrical plays.
- In Europe, the Jewish people could be found in all walks of life, they had jobs like farmers, tailors, factory hands, accountants, doctors, teachers, and small business owners.
- Some families were very wealthy while many more were poor.
- The Jews were “emancipated” in Germany 1871 but still were discriminated against socially.

★ The Rise Of The Nazi's

- 1919 he joined the German Workers' Party
- Small party with only 6 members.
- **1920 -party renamed National Socialist German Workers' Party (NSDAP)**, better known as the **Nazi Party** .
- Adolf Hitler attempted to overthrow the local authorities and wind up failing miserably and soon found himself in prison.
- While in prison, Hitler wrote a book that explained his radical ideas about German nationalism, anti-semitism and anti-Bolshevism.
- After the he was released from prison, Hitler reunited with the Nai Party, he skillfully maneuvered through the higher rank to become sole leader.
- In September of 1930, the nazi won in voting giving them the second highest ever.
- When Hindenburg presidential term was over hitler became president .
- From this point forward the nazis in Germany has been very high ranked.

The Holocaust

- The Holocaust was a killing of millions and millions of Jewish people during World War II due to religious differences
- The Holocaust was also known as “The Final Solution”
- From the former 9 million Jewish people who once lived in Europe about two-thirds were murdered
- The Nazis and Hitler set up camps known as “Concentration Camps” to keep inmates
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The White Rose

- On February 22, 1943 two students got together and were scheduled to be executed by the nazi power, the guards were so impressed that the two was so brave about being executed they allowed to meet with each other once more.
- The teens once joined a group called Hitlers youth where they though and were taught to think that Hitler would lead Germany back to greatness
- Both students attended the University Of Munich were the created “Leaflets”. These leaflets contained information that said that the nazis wasnt helping the people they were just imprisoning them.
- They told people that it was time to rise up and resist the tyranny of the government
- They eventually published sx leaflets Four were released under the “White Rose” title and the last two were under the “Leaflets of The Resistance”
- People began receiving these leaflets in the mail and eventually started distributing them around campus. Copies began appearing all across Germany and Austria.
- Over Time Graffiti borders began to go up saying “Down With Hitler”
- Everyone who was found involved with THE WHITE ROSE were either executed or sent to concentration camps

★ The Fall Of The Nazi's

- On January 1942, The nazis came together except for hitler to get a conclusion on the Holocaust
- The Nazis are defeated at the battle of Stalingrad, the Soviet Union victory win becomes a possibility
- In The summer of 1042 there was many of attempts to try to assassinate Adolf Hitler but they all was unsuccessful.
- On April 30, 1945 Hitler committs suicide by a gunshot in his house in Berlin. His wife also committed suicide by ingesting cyanide, their bodies were then carried up stairs to the roof and set on fire

★ Comparing the Two

- In comparison Thoreau and The White Rose Movement both had a thought in overthrowing the government and being ones own self.
- They both thought it would be great to come together and forming an alliance
- Thoreau and The White Rose used the same theory of standing up for yourself and resisting the government

★ Civil Disobedience or Not?

It represents civil disobedience because the white rose movement actually seems to use the same concepts of overthrowing the government and also they used similar methods. They go about it in different ways but at the end of the day its the same

